

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING MR. ROBERT GEORGE

**HON. BRIAN HIGGINS**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, March 2, 2010*

Mr. HIGGINS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the years of service given to the people of Chautauqua County by Mr. Robert George. Mr. George served his constituency faithfully and justly during his tenure as a member of the Dunkirk City Council.

Public service is a difficult and fulfilling career. Any person with a dream may enter but only a few are able to reach the end. Mr. George served his term with his head held high and a smile on his face the entire way. I have no doubt that his kind demeanor left a lasting impression on the people of Chautauqua County.

We are truly blessed to have such strong individuals with a desire to make this county the wonderful place that we all know it can be. Mr. George is one of those people and that is why, Madam Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to him today.

2009 GREAT COMEBACKS  
RECIPIENT FOR THE WEST REGION

**HON. ROB BISHOP**

OF UTAH

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BISHOP of Utah. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Sylvia Prothro Hebert of Park City. Sylvia has been selected as a 2009 Great Comebacks Recipient for the West Region. This program honors annually a group of individuals who are living with intestinal diseases or recovering from ostomy surgery.

At age 9, Sylvia Prothro Hebert was diagnosed with Crohn's disease. At first Sylvia managed her symptoms with medication but flare-ups became a constant companion during college. Her weight dropped to 89 pounds, teeth loosened and hair fell out. At age 21, her intestines were punctured during a colonoscopy and she underwent ostomy surgery. "I awoke with this 'thing' on my side and was in shock—I thought my life was over," says Sylvia.

Since her diagnosis, Sylvia has triumphed over her illness, soaring to new heights to fulfill her dream of becoming a flight attendant—and by her records—the first Delta flight attendant with an ileostomy!

Today, Sylvia, 42, lives in Park City, UT with her husband Paul and their children, Reese, 5, Garrett, 3½, Renee, 1½. In addition to skiing, Sylvia has completed two half-marathons and a triathlon. "I feel healthier and happier than I've ever felt in my life," says Sylvia. "Ostomy surgery gave me freedom to do things I wanted—it's great to be alive."

I would like to congratulate Sylvia on her recent recognition as a 2009 Great Comebacks recipient.

IN HONOR OF DELAWARE'S  
MEDICAL RELIEF GROUPS

**HON. MICHAEL N. CASTLE**

OF DELAWARE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, March 2, 2010*

Mr. CASTLE. Madam Speaker, it is with pride and admiration that I rise today to pay tribute to the Delaware medical groups that have traveled to Haiti over the past month to administer medical relief aid. To date, over five dozen individuals have gone to Haiti with Delaware's medical teams—including doctors and staff from Alexis I. duPont Hospital for Children, Bayhealth Medical Center, Christiana Care Health System, and St. Francis Healthcare Services—and a great many more have aided in preparing and assisting the teams with logistical planning and much needed medical supplies.

When news of Haiti's devastating earthquake reached members of Delaware's medical and disaster response community, plans of aid and assistance were immediately underway. Delaware medical professionals were on the ground, setting up emergency clinics and treating patients within ten days of the earthquake's occurrence, a remarkable feat considering the effect the earthquake had on travel into and out of the country.

These medical teams are comprised of truly dedicated individuals, individuals who are able to persevere despite the physically and mentally demanding nature of medical missions and the inevitable frustration and conflict that must attend a catastrophe such as this. Each day, all day, they see patients—administering aid and medications, performing desperately needed operations, and establishing local connections that will prove vital as relief work moves forward. They do this amidst logistical challenges and harsh conditions, contending with aftershocks, extreme weather, and a lack of shelter, supplies and running water. Their support, their efforts, and what they have been able to accomplish, including arranging for the transport and treatment of critical-need babies who require medical care not available to them in Haiti, are remarkable.

While I know there will be many more groups, organizations, and hospitals to thank going forward, I call attention today to the Delaware medical teams who have already responded with aid and resources in the wake of this major catastrophe. I wish to recognize these individuals for their quick response; they knew the importance of providing quality medical care and acted with great zeal. I wish to recognize them for their tireless dedication; they have worked day and night, performing surgeries back-to-back. Finally, I wish to recognize them for their continuing compassion; they have set aside, without reservation, their own lives in order to help others. Their commitment to the Haitian population has been tenacious.

The efforts of Delaware's medical and disaster response community are nothing short of

inspirational. These men and women are not just medical professionals; they are heroes and role models. They have donated their time, their energy, and their hearts. Their efforts have been tireless, and I am humbled by that which they have already accomplished. I feel great pride in representing a state whose citizens are aware of and responsive to the needs and affairs of our global community. Catastrophes call for banding together. Delaware's medical community has answered that call and, I have no doubt, will continue to do so in the coming weeks and months.

IN RECOGNITION OF DAN HENRY'S  
ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE FIELD  
OF DENTISTRY

**HON. JEFF MILLER**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, March 2, 2010*

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Dr. Dan Henry, a Northwest Florida community leader. Dr. Henry has spent his life serving others, and I am proud to honor his dedication, passion, and service.

Adopted at the age of seven by Sam and Helen Henry, Dan was raised in Crestview, Florida. He met his wife, Melinda, as an undergraduate at Florida State, and then went on to earn his Doctor of Dental Surgery degree from the University of Maryland in 1975. His family moved to the Pensacola area in 1977 and have remained an active part of our community ever since. Dan has received countless awards for his work as a dentist, and served as President of the Florida Dental Association in 2006 and 2007.

While Dr. Henry's list of honors, awards, and achievements are impressive by any standard, his most important work happens while serving the underprivileged. For 23 years, Dr. Henry has led dental missions overseas in association with the Methodist Church. In founding, inspiring, and orchestrating these missions, Dr. Henry has faced daunting challenges. Many of the areas in which he performed missions are without electricity or basic necessities needed for dental hygiene. Dr. Henry created portable equipment and invented power systems that allow the dental teams to set up clinics overseas. The missions are able to provide dental care to some of the poorest areas of the world because of Dr. Henry's dedication and service. He has inspired a generation of volunteers to participate in similar overseas missions.

In addition to yearly missions overseas, Dr. Henry never forgets those in need throughout our local community. Dr. Henry leads a Dental Fair at Chumuckla United Methodist Church, providing free dental care for children, youth, and adults of the surrounding area. Hundreds of people are able to receive proper dental care because of the Healing Springs Dental Fair. Dr. Henry and the countless other volunteer dentists, dental assistants, and hygienists

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